

TREASURES AND PEARLS
MTT. 13:44-46

Context:

This chapter is on the slippery notion of the kingdom of God.
Jesus
clarifies the kingdom using parables that employ repeated
similes.

Questions about this parable:

1) Who is the field hand? How about the merchant?

*Jesus or me? Mtt. 12:28

2) How valuable is the kingdom?

*See I Pt. 1:7

3) How obvious is the kingdom?

*Contrast: the rural fellow stumbles upon it
the cosmopolitan fellows sought it
Which were you?

*How can I find this kingdom if I haven't found it yet?

4) How do I respond to the kingdom once I find it?

*Joy (vs 44, Rom. 14:17) but see 13:20

*Selling everything doesn't mean. . .

Selling everything does mean. . .
See Lk. 12:31-34.